



Chairman Louis Manuel Biography

Louis Manuel is the Chairman of the Ak-Chin Indian Community, a tribe with 1,020 members and a Reservation consisting of just over 23,000 acres. The Community is located approximately 30 miles south of Phoenix, Arizona, near the city of Maricopa.

Chairman Manuel has served the Community in various capacities, including as the Commissioner and Chairman of the Housing Board, and for Planning and Zoning.

Chairman Manuel worked as the Hotel Manager and Restaurant Manager for the Harrah's Ak-Chin Hotel and Casino. Prior to working at the casino, Chairman Manuel was employed as a heavy equipment operator and trainer for a copper mine in Tucson, AZ.

The Ak-Chin Indian Community is a member of ITCA (Inter Tribal Council of Arizona) where Chairman Manuel currently serves as an Executive Board Member. The Community is also a member of the Arizona Indian Gaming Association where Chairman Manuel serves as the delegate for the western region. Ak-Chin is also a member of ATG2 (Arizonans for Tribal Government Gaming).

The Ak-Chin Indian Community is a farming Community that has a number of diversified economic ventures, including an Industrial Park currently known as the Santa Cruz Commerce Center, the Ak-Chin Regional Airport, Harrah's Ak-Chin Casino Resort, Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Golf Resort, Vekol Market and the UltraStar Multi-tainment Center.

Chairman Manuel is a strong advocate for education and improving the delivery of social and health services to the Community.